

MINUTES

MONTANA SENATE 58th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON HIGHWAYS AND TRANSPORTATION

Call to Order: By **CHAIRMAN EDWARD BUTCHER**, on March 25, 2003 at 3:21 P.M., in Room 405 Capitol.

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Sen. Edward Butcher, Chairman (R)
Sen. Duane Grimes, Vice Chairman (R)
Sen. Sherm Anderson (R)
Sen. Vicki Cocchiarella (D)
Sen. Mike Cooney (D)
Sen. Aubyn Curtiss (R)
Sen. Bob DePratu (R)
Sen. Dan Harrington (D)
Sen. Sam Kitzenberg (R)
Sen. Jerry O'Neil (R)
Sen. Gerald Pease (D)
Sen. Glenn Roush (D)

Members Excused: None.

Members Absent: None.

Staff Present: Pat Murdo, Legislative Branch
Roberta Opel, Committee Secretary

Video-taped Committee: These minutes are in outline form only. They provide a list of participants and a record of official action taken by the committee. A video-taped recording of the meeting is available from the Montana Historical Society.

Committee Business Summary:

Hearing & Date Posted: HB 189, 3/25/2003, HB 226,
3/23/2003
Executive Action: HB 226, HB 186, HB 259, HB 67

HEARING ON HB 189

Opening Statement by Sponsor: REP. JEFF PATTISON, HD 95, eastern Montana, opened the hearing on HB 189; to revise laws related to bicycle traffic.

Proponents' Testimony:

3:22pm Jim Currie, Deputy Director, MT. Dept. of Transportation

Opponents' Testimony:

3:23pm Mike Barrett, representing himself **EXHIBIT(his63a01)**

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

3:25pm Begin

3:50pm End

25 min Elapsed time

Closing by Sponsor:

3:50pm **SEN. PATTISON** closed the hearing on HB 189.

HEARING ON HB 226

Opening Statement by Sponsor: REP. KIM GILLAN, HD 11, Billings, opened the hearing on HB 226; graduated teen drivers license. **EXHIBIT(his63a02)** and **EXHIBIT(his63a03)**

Proponents' Testimony:

4:04pm Jean Branscon, Health and Human Services Policy

4:05pm Rick Chiotti, representing Office of Public Instruction, (OPI) Supt. Linda McCulloch

4:06pm David Huff, Director, Traffic Education, OPI

EXHIBIT(his63a04)

4:10pm Brenda Nordlund, representing MT. Dept. of Justice

4:14pm Elaine Sliter, representing Miller Brewing Co. and on behalf of Anheuser-Busch

4:14pm Mike Harris, Belgrade High School driver ed instructor

EXHIBIT(his63a05)

4:15pm Sammi Butler, representing MT. Nurses Association

4:16pm Pat Melby, representing MT. Medical Association

4:17pm Julie Ippolito, representing Mother's Against Drunk Driver's (MADD)

4:17pm Kristi Blazer, MT. Beer and Wine Wholesaler's Association

4:18pm Tom Daubert, representing MT. Traffic Association

4:20pm Steve Yeakel, representing MT. Council for Maternal and Child Health

Opponents' Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

4:24pm Begin

4:43pm End

19 min Elapsed time

Closing by Sponsor:

4:43pm **REP. GILLAN** closed the hearing on HB 226.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 226

Motion/Vote: Motion by **SEN. DUANE GRIMES** HB 226 BE CONCURRED IN.
Motion carried unanimously.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 186

Motion/Vote: Motion by **SEN. MIKE COONEY** HB 186 BE CONCURRED IN.
Motion carried unanimously.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 259

Motion: Motion by **SEN. GRIMES** HB 259 BE CONCURRED IN.

Discussion:

4:54pm Begin

4:57pm End

3 min Elapsed time

Vote: Motion carried unanimously.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 67

Note: The Standing Committee Report (SCR) for HB 67, CONCURRED IN March 18, 2003.

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 4:57 P.M.

SEN. EDWARD BUTCHER, Chairman

ROBERTA OPEL, Secretary

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EXHIBIT (his63aad)